

Appl. No. 10/690,381
Amdt. Dated January 25, 2006
Reply to Office Action of January 9, 2006

Remarks/Arguments

I would like to thank Examiner Torres for the short telephone interview on January 24, 2006, concerning this patent application. In the telephone interview Examiner Torres and I discussed claims 8-11 and 14-20 which had been rejected under 35 USC § 112, second paragraph, in the Final Rejection. In the Final Rejection Examiner Torres indicated that the claims would be allowable if the Section 112 rejection was overcome. In the telephone interview Examiner Torres indicated that the amendments made concerning claims 8-11 and 14-20 in the amendment filed after the Final Rejection were sufficient to overcome the Section 112 rejection and that these claims were in condition for Allowance. Claims 8-11 and 14-20 are presented in this Amendment showing the revisions that were placed in the claims in the Amendment that was filed in response to the Final Rejection. Since the Amendment after the Final Rejection was not entered, these amendments are shown again in this response.

In the Final Rejection claims 3 and 5 were also indicated as being allowable.

In this Office Action all of the non-allowed claims pending in the application, claims 1, 2, 6, 7, 12 and 13, have been canceled and it is submitted that all of the claims left pending in the application are in condition for Allowance. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner issue a Notice of Allowance for the claims that have been indicated as being patentable by the Examiner.

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If the Examiner has any questions concerning this Amendment or if there are any additional issues that need to be addressed, I would appreciate it if the Examiner would call me so that these questions or issues can be addressed as efficiently as possible.

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